

HO-1057

7089 Old Columbia Road
Private

Description:

The house at 7089 Old Columbia Road is a one-story, four-bay by three-bay frame rancher with a parged foundation, brick veneer on the west elevation and aluminum siding on all four elevations, and a gable roof with asphalt shingles and a north-south ridge. The lot slopes down to the east, and is partially excavated to expose the foundation here. The first story cantilevers beyond the foundation wall several feet. There is an interior brick chimney in the center, just west of the ridge. The west elevation has a door in the center with nine lights over two lying panels. To the north are two one-over-one sash, with brick veneer below the sills, and to the south is a cantilevered three-sided bay window that is covered by the deep overhang of the roof. The south elevation has a center door with a one-bay concrete porch that has an aluminum awning. On the east elevation the basement has a door set south of center. The first story has a one-over-one sash in the south, north-center, and north bays, with no opening above the basement door.

Significance:

The house at 7089 Old Columbia Road is a standard small rancher that was reportedly built c. 1965. The rancher became popular in the 1950s, but reached its peak of popularity in the 1960s as middle-class housing in the ever-expanding suburbs. Its roots are undoubtedly a blend of the traditional Cape Cod with modernism, especially the prairie-style. Whereas the Cape Cod often had bedrooms in the attic, the rancher never did, but instead tended to make more functional use of the basement. They often also had an attached, or semi-attached, garage, reflective of the ever-growing importance of the automobile in American life. This particular example lacks the garage and this is one feature, along with its general size that places it at the lower end of the socio-economic scale. As with most of the popular suburban house styles in America, the rancher was also built on rural lots cut off of farms along major and minor roads, such as in this case. The house is slated to be demolished in 2011 for new construction.

Maryland Historical Trust

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other

2. Location

street and number 7089 Old Columbia Road not for publication

city, town Columbia X vicinity

county Howard

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Emerson & Betty Williams

street and number 7089 Old Columbia Road telephone

city, town Columbia state MD zip code 21046

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Howard County Courthouse liber 422 folio 185

city, town Ellicott City tax map 41 tax parcel 310 tax ID number

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
☐ Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function		Resource Count	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>X</u> building(s)	<u>X</u> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<u>X</u> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
				Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
				<u>0</u>	

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The house at 7089 Old Columbia Road is located on the east side of the road south of Simpsonville in south-central Howard County, Maryland. It is a one-story, four-bay by three-bay frame rancher with a parged foundation, brick veneer on the west elevation and aluminum siding on all four elevations, and a gable roof with asphalt shingles and a north-south ridge. The lot slopes down to the east, and is partially excavated to expose the foundation here. The first story cantilevers beyond the foundation wall several feet. There is an interior brick chimney in the center, just west of the ridge.

The west elevation has a door in the center with nine lights over two lying panels. To the north are two one-over-one sash, with brick veneer below the sills, and to the south is a cantilevered three-sided bay window that is covered by the deep overhang of the roof. The center light is one large light, with a one-over-one sash flanking each side.

The south elevation has a center door with a one-bay concrete porch that has an aluminum awning. The east bay has a one-over-one sash and the west bay has no opening. On the east elevation the basement has a door with three lights over two lying panels, set south of center, with a two-light sash in the south and north bays. The first story has a one-over-one sash in the south, north-center, and north bays, with no opening above the basement door. The north elevation has a two-light sash in the east bay of the foundation and three one-over-one sash on the first story.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/	<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____	

Specific dates N/A

Architect/Builder N/A

Construction dates c. 1965

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register☐ Maryland Register☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 1.431 A
Acreage of historical setting 1.431 A
Quadrangle name Clarksville

Quadrangle scale: 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundaries consist of the outlines of the property, tax map 41, parcel 310, which encompasses all of the historic buildings and features on the site.

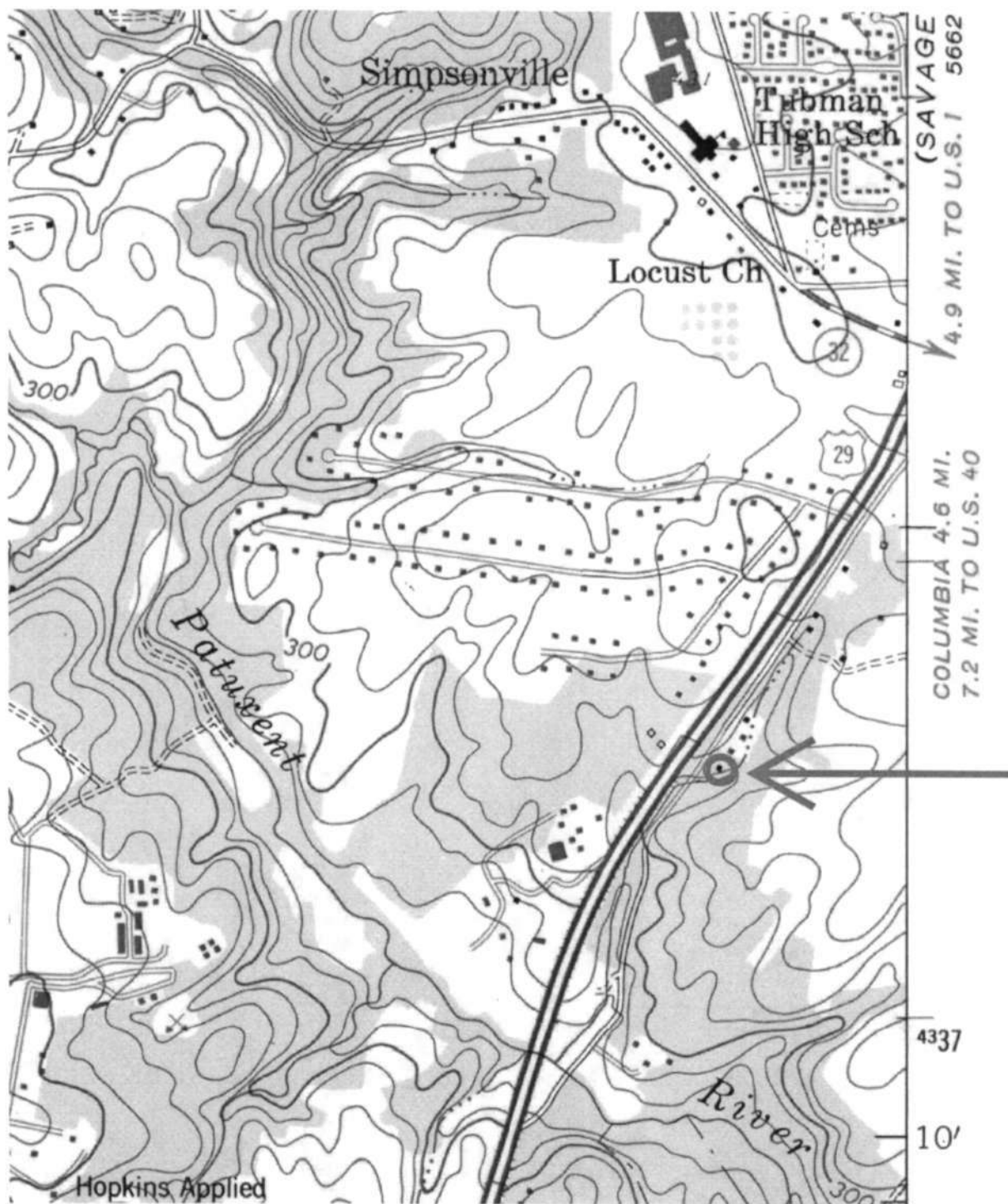
11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Ken Short		
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street & number	3430 Courthouse Drive	telephone	410-313-4335
city or town	Ellicott City	state	MD

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
410-514-7600



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7089 Old Columbia Road
Clarksville quad

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7089 Old Columbia Road
Howard County, Maryland
Ken Short, photographer

Photo Log

Nikon D-70 camera
HP Premium Plus paper
HP Gray Photo print cartridge

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West & south elevations

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East elevation



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